

work, instead of these deliberate efforts day after day to sabotage it, we could move on with the business of the country.

Mr. Speaker, I gladly yield back the balance of my time.

Mr. PAULSEN. Mr. Speaker, as I close, let me remind my colleague, because he had mentioned eliminating the individual mandate as a part of the tax reform that was enacted recently, according to the IRS, 79 percent of the 6.6 million people who paid the penalty in 2015 had incomes below \$50,000. These are middle class people.

Mr. NEAL. Will the gentleman yield?

Mr. PAULSEN. I yield to the gentleman from Massachusetts.

Mr. NEAL. Mr. Speaker, what did the Republican majority do to the cost subsidies for those people?

Mr. PAULSEN. Mr. Speaker, reclaiming my time, on the individual mandate, 6.6 million people who paid the penalty had incomes below \$50,000. These are middle class people who had to pay the fine instead of buying overpriced ObamaCare coverage that they could not afford. Now, starting in 2019, they are not going to have to do that anymore. Republicans think that is a good thing.

Let me close back on the bill, though, Mr. Speaker.

The good news is that both Republicans and Democrats here today agree and understand that the medical device excise tax does more harm than good, and it has to be repealed. We heard testimony and speakers today on both sides of the aisle. We will have a strong, bipartisan vote to repeal this tax permanently.

We have already had a suspension twice. But we need to give this industry certainty so that we can make sure that this American success story not only survives, but thrives.

It is about high-paying jobs with net exports around the world. This makes sure that patients not only in the United States are going to have access to new medical technology devices, for baby boomers, seniors, and those getting up in their elder years with new devices. This is really critical for the innovation that is going to help to make sure that we are protecting patients around the world, keeping headquarters here, keeping jobs here, and improving healthcare outcomes.

Today, we have an opportunity to help. It is helping those small startups that are part of the very ecosystem that has made this industry so strong in the United States that provides these jobs, and making sure that entrepreneurs, doctors, engineers, and folks who come up with an idea in the backyard or in the garage can see their idea come to fruition.

So let's remove this threat to innovation. Let's remove this job-killing tax once and for all. There are 277 cosponsors in the House. How many bills actually get that many cosponsors of Democrats and Republicans? Let's continue to show the American public that

what we are doing here in Washington on this issue is results oriented, is solution oriented, and we are sensitive, and we understand that.

Mr. Speaker, I ask everyone to vote for the passage of H.R. 184, and I yield back the balance of my time.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. All time for debate has expired.

Pursuant to House Resolution 1011, the previous question is ordered on the bill, as amended.

The question is on the engrossment and third reading of the bill.

The bill was ordered to be engrossed and read a third time, and was read the third time.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the passage of the bill.

The question was taken; and the Speaker pro tempore announced that the ayes appeared to have it.

Mr. PAULSEN. Mr. Speaker, on that I demand the yeas and nays.

The yeas and nays were ordered.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 8 of rule XX, further proceedings on this question will be postponed.

#### REMOVAL OF NAME OF MEMBER AS COSPONSOR OF H.R. 2069

Mr. HASTINGS. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent to remove my name as a cosponsor of H.R. 2069, the Fostering Stable Housing Opportunities Act of 2017.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Florida?

There was no objection.

#### RECESS

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 12(a) of rule I, the Chair declares the House in recess for a period of less than 15 minutes.

Accordingly (at 4 o'clock and 39 minutes p.m.), the House stood in recess.

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#### AFTER RECESS

The recess having expired, the House was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. WEBER of Texas) at 4 o'clock and 50 minutes p.m.

#### PROTECT MEDICAL INNOVATION ACT OF 2017

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The unfinished business is the vote on passage of the bill (H.R. 184) to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to repeal the excise tax on medical devices, on which the yeas and nays were ordered.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the passage of the bill.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 283, nays 132, not voting 13, as follows:

Abraham	Goodlatte	Palazzo
Aderholt	Gosar	Palmer
Aguilar	Gottheimer	Panetta
Allen	Gowdy	Paulsen
Amash	Granger	Pearce
Amodei	Graves (GA)	Perry
Arrington	Graves (LA)	Peters
Babin	Green, Gene	Peterson
Bacon	Griffith	Pittenger
Banks (IN)	Grothman	Poe (TX)
Barletta	Guthrie	Poliquin
Barr	Handel	Polis
Barragán	Harper	Posey
Barton	Harris	Ratcliffe
Bera	Hensarling	Reed
Bergman	Herrera Beutler	Reichert
Biggs	Hice, Jody B.	Renacci
Bilirakis	Higgins (LA)	Rice (NY)
Bishop (GA)	Hill	Rice (SC)
Bishop (MI)	Holding	Roby
Bishop (UT)	Hollingsworth	Roe (TN)
Blum	Hudson	Rogers (AL)
Bost	Huizenga	Rogers (KY)
Boyle, Brendan	Hultgren	Rohrabacher
F.	Hunter	Rokita
Brady (TX)	Hurd	Rooney, Francis
Brat	Issa	Rooney, Thomas
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Brownley (CA)	Johnson (LA)	Rosen
Buchanan	Johnson (OH)	Roskam
Buck	Johnson, Sam	Ross
Bucshon	Jordan	Rothfus
Budd	Joyce (OH)	Rouzer
Burgess	Katko	Royce (CA)
Bustos	Keating	Ruiz
Byrne	Kelly (MS)	Russell
Calvert	Kelly (PA)	Rutherford
Carbajal	Khanna	Sanford
Cárdenas	Kilmer	Scalise
Carter (GA)	King (IA)	Schneider
Carter (TX)	King (NY)	Schweikert
Chabot	Kinzing	Scott, Austin
Cheney	Knight	Scott, David
Clark (MA)	Krishnamoorthi	Sensenbrenner
Cloud	Kuster (NH)	Sessions
Coffman	Kustoff (TN)	Sewell (AL)
Cole	Labrador	Shimkus
Collins (GA)	LaHood	Shuster
Collins (NY)	LaMalfa	Simpson
Comer	Lamb	Sinema
Comstock	Lamborn	Sires
Conaway	Lance	Smith (NE)
Cook	Latta	Smith (NJ)
Correa	Lawson (FL)	Smith (TX)
Costello (PA)	Lesko	Smucker
Cramer	Lewis (MN)	Stefanik
Crawford	Lieu, Ted	Stewart
Crist	Lipinski	Stivers
Cuellar	LoBiondo	Suozi
Culberson	Loebach	Swalwell (CA)
Curbelo (FL)	Loudermilk	Taylor
Curtis	Love	Tenney
Davidson	Lucas	Thompson (PA)
Davis (CA)	Luetkemeyer	Thornberry
Davis, Rodney	Lynch	Tipton
Delaney	MacArthur	Tonko
DelBene	Maloney, Sean	Torres
Denham	Marchant	Trott
DeSantis	Marino	Turner
DesJarlais	Marshall	Upton
Diaz-Balart	Massie	Valadao
Dingell	Mast	Vargas
Donovan	McCarthy	Veasey
Duffy	McCaul	Vela
Duncan (SC)	McClintock	Wagner
Duncan (TN)	McHenry	Walberg
Dunn	McKinley	Walden
Emmer	McMorris	Walker
Estes (KS)	Rodgers	Walorski
Faso	McSally	Walters, Mimi
Ferguson	Meadows	Weber (TX)
Fitzpatrick	Messer	Webster (FL)
Fleischmann	Mitchell	Wenstrup
Flores	Moolenaar	Westerman
Fortenberry	Mooney (WV)	Williams
Fox	Moulton	Wilson (SC)
Frelinghuysen	Mullin	Wittman
Gabbard	Murphy (FL)	Womack
Gaetz	Newhouse	Woodall
Gallagher	Nolan	Yoho
Garrett	Norcross	Young (AK)
Gianforte	Norman	Young (IA)
Gibbs	Nunes	Zeldin
Gohmert	O'Halleran	
Gonzalez (TX)	Olson	

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